COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

ADJUSTMENT OF RATES OF)
DORTON SEWERAGE SYSTEMS,) CASE NO. 8862
INC.

ORDER

29, 1983, the Commission received the On application for an increase in rates of Dorton Sewerage Systems, Inc. ("Dorton"). The application was filed on the forms provided under the Commission's regulation 807 KAR 5:076, Alternative Rate Adjustment Procedure for Small Utilities ("ARF"). In accordance with the Commission's regulations, in order to be eligible to file under the ARF procedure, a utility must have on file "fully completed annual reports for at least the 2 prior years when the applicant has been in existence that long." After reviewing the annual reports presently on file for Dorton, the Commission finds that the reports for 1980 and 1981 have deficiencies which have not been corrected after repeated requests from the Commission staff. Furthermore, the annual report for 1982 contains similar deficiencies which should be corrected.

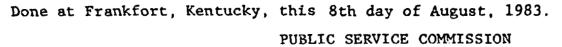
The Commission finds that, due to the failure of Dorton to meet the minimum filing requirements of the ARF procedure, this application should be dismissed. When Dorton

has responded satisfactorily to all Commission correspondence concerning the 1980 and 1981 annual reports and has corrected any deficiencies in the 1982 report, it may then refile under the ARF procedure. Dorton may file under the general rate case procedure, 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9, at any time; however, a final Order in the case will not be issued by the Commission until responses have been received to all outstanding correspondence regarding annual reports and all deficiencies have been corrected.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the application of Dorton Sewerage Systems, Inc., for an adjustment of rates be and it hereby is dismissed.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Dorton may refile under the ARF procedure upon satisfactory response to all Commission correspondence regarding annual reports and correction of any existing deficiencies in the 1982 annual report.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Dorton may file under the general rate case procedure at any time. A final Order will not be issued by the Commission until responses have been received to all outstanding correspondence regarding annual reports and all deficiencies have been corrected.



Chairman

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Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary